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nf. No. 8967

In Re Application of: Walter WIRZ

Application No.: 10/697,977

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For: TOOTH ALIGNING DEVICE FOR THE ALIGNING...

Art Unit: 2856

Examiner: D. ROGERS

Washington, D.C.

Atty.'s Docket: WIRZ=5

OR

OR

Date: April 5, 2005

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS Customer Service Window Randolph Building, Mail Stop Amendment 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [XX] Amendment []_ in the above-identified application.

[XX] Small Entity Status: Applicant(s) claim small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

No additional fee is required.

[XX] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)				
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS				
TOTAL	* 24	MINUS	** 20	4				
INDEP.	* 2	MINUS	*** 3	0				
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM								

SMALL ENTITY						
	RATE	Α	ADDITIONAL FEE			
x	25	\$	100.00			
×	100	\$				
+	180	\$				
NAL FEE TOTAL		\$	100.00			

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY **ADDITIONAL** RATE FEE 50 \$ 200 360 \$ \$

IFW/A

If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
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The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed.

Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

lt is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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	Small Entity Response Filed Within			Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within						
	[] Firs	t -	\$	60.00	[]	First	-	\$	120.00
	[] Sec	ond -	\$	225.00	ſ]	Second	-	\$	450.00
	[] Thir	d-	\$	510.00	[]	Third	-	\$	1020.00
	[] Fou	rth -	\$	795.00	[]	Fourth	-	\$	1590.00
	Month After Time Period Set				Month After Time Period Set					
	[] Less fe	es (\$) already paid for month(s) extension of time on				<u> </u>		
[]	Please charge	my De	pos	it Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$						
[XX]	Credit Card Pa	ayment	For	m, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the	amo	ount of	<u>\$100.00</u> .			
[]	A check in the	amoun	t of	\$ is attached (check no.).						
[XX]				eby authorized and requested to charge any additional						

connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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